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SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL: UNDOF MANDATE RENEWAL

1. SECURITY COUNCIL MET IN INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS ON MAY 10 TO DISCUSS SCHEDULE OF WORK FOR MAY. AFTER AFRICAN ITEMS WERE NOTED (SEPTTEL), SC PRESIDENT (BENIN) SUGGESTED THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL MEET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MAY 27 IN THE MORNING TO CONSIDER THE RESOLUTION TO EXTEND UNITED NATIONS DISENGAGEMENT OBSERVER FORCE (UNDOF). SC PRESIDENT REMARKED THAT HE HAD ALREADY EMBARKED ON CONSULTATIONS WITH THE PARTIES CONCERNED AND THAT HE WOULD INFORM THE SC MEMBERS OF THE RESULTS OF THESE CONSULTATION LATER WHEN THEY HAD BEEN COMPLETED.

2. WITH REGARD TO THE TIMING OF THE SC MEETING ON UNDOF, CANADA SUGGESTED THAT THE COUNCIL BEAR IN MIND THAT FRIDAY, MAY 27 BEGINS A LONG WEEKEND. US ADDED THAT SC DEBATE ON UNDOF POSSIBLE COULD BE MOVED FORWARD TO MAY 26 TO ALLOW AN EXTRA DAY SHOULD MORE TIME BE
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REQUIRED. SC PRESIDENT REPLIED THAT HIS PROPOSALS ON TIMING WERE NOT INFLEXIBLE AND THAT HE WOULD HOLD FURTHER CONSULTATIONS WITH THE MEMBERS BEFORE THE PROPOSED DATES. HE CONCLUDED BY NOTING THAT "WE CAN CHANGE THINGS; NO PROBLEM."

3. ISRAELI MISSION INFORMED US THAT THEY HAVE

CONVEYED TO THE SC PRESIDENT THAT ISRAEL AGREES TO
AN EXTENSION OF UNDOF FOR ANOTHER SIX-MONTH PERIOD
WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY
THE COUNCIL BE NEARLY EXACTLY THAT ADOPTED AT
PREVIOUS RENEWALS. WE HAVE NOT HEARD THE SYRIAN
VIEWPOINT AS YET, BUT THE EGYPTIAN MISSION TOLD US
LAST WEEK THAT AT A MINIMUM THE SC SHOULD EXPECT THE
SYRIANS TO SEEK TO INTERJECT A PREAMBULAR PARAGRAPH,
PERHAPS TAKEN FROM THE SYG'S REPORT ON UNDOF, TO THE
EFFECT THAT THE MIDDLE EAST SITUATION CONTINUES UN-
STABLE UNTIL THERE IS A DURABLE AND JUST PEACE. THE
EGYPTIAN MISSION COMMENTED THAT THE SITUATION IN THE
MIDDLE EAST IS NOT STATIC AND THAT IT IS UNREALISTIC
TO EXPECT THE SC RESOLUTIONS RENEWING THE UNDOF MANDATE
TO REMAIN THE SAME. USUN WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW UP ON
THIS UPCOMING DEBATE.
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